Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, April 16, 2012, at 2 p.m.

House of Representatives

FRIDAY, MARCH 30, 2012

The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. DENHAM).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
March 30, 2012.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JEFF DENHAM to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

JOHN A. BOEHNER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Reverend Dr. Barry Black, Chaplain, United States Senate, offered the following prayer:

Eternal Lord God, who alone spreads out the heavens and rules the raging of the sea, continue to challenge us when we are too well pleased with ourselves, when our dreams come true because we have dreamed too little, when we arrive safely simply because we have sailed too close to the shore.

Challenge us, O God, when, with the abundance of the things we possess, we lose our thirst for the waters of life.

Challenge us when we forget that righteousness exalts a nation, but that sin is an equal opportunity destroyer.

Challenge us when we fail to join You in Your quest to bring deliverance to captives, the recovery of sight to the blind, and to set at liberty those who are bruised.

O God, this day, challenge us to dare more boldly, to venture on wider seas where storms will show Your mastery, where losing sight of land we will find Your stars.

We pray in Your sovereign name. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from California (Mr. DREIER) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. DREIER led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Ms. Curtis, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed with an amendment in which the concurrence of the House is requested, a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 2297. An act to promote the development of the Southwest waterfront in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate has agreed to a concurrent reso-

lution of the following title in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. Con. Res. 38. Concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled bill was signed by Speaker pro tempore THORNBERRY on Thursday, March 29, 2012:

H.R. 4281, to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs.

PROVIDING FOR A CONDITIONAL ADJOURNMENT OR RECESS OF THE SENATE AND AN ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following privileged concurrent resolution:

S. CON. RES. 38

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That when the Senate recesses or adjourns on any day from Thursday, March 29, 2012, through Sunday, April 1, 2012, on a motion offered pursuant to this concurrent resolution by its Majority Leader or his designee, it stand recessed or adjourned until 12:00 noon on Monday, April

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□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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